

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

1. (Cancel)
2. (Currently amended) A tool according to ~~Claim 1~~ Claim 14, characterized in that the two holding members are spaced apart by a distance corresponding to the standardized width of a pulley.
3. (Currently amended) A tool according to ~~Claim 1~~ Claim 14, characterized in that the two holding members are adapted to be movable with respect to each other in such a way as to vary their distance according to the width L of the pulley, the tool comprising means for adjusting the relative position of the holding members.
4. (Previously presented) A tool according to Claim 3, characterized in that the first holding member is borne by a part that can move in translation with respect to the second holding member which is integral with the base plate.
5. (Previously presented) A tool according to Claim 4, characterized in that the guide member is borne by the part that can move in translation with respect to the second holding member.
6. (Previously presented) A tool according to Claim 4, characterized in that the guide member is integral with the base plate.
7. (Previously presented) A tool according to Claim 4, characterized in that the second holding member is a folded, down end of the base plate.

8. (Currently amended) A tool for fitting a belt into the groove of a pulley, the tool comprising:

a base plate having a first and a second face;

a first and a second holding member that are substantially flat and that are parallel with each other, which are spaced apart and which extend from the first face of the base plate and perpendicular to a longitudinal axis of the base plate a first surface of the first holding member facing a first surface of the second holding member; and

a guide member which extends from the second face of the plate opposite to the first face, the guide member having at least a central portion having a flat face in the same plane as the first surface of the first holding member,

A tool according to Claim 1, characterized in that the two holding members are adapted to be movable with respect to each other in such a way as to vary their distance according to the width L of the pulley, the tool comprising means for adjusting the relative position of the holding members,

A tool according to Claim 3, characterized in that the first holding member is borne by a part that can move in translation with respect to the second holding member which is integral with the base plate,

A tool according to Claim 4, characterized in that the part that can move in translation has a structure with two branches connected to each other by a central section, one of the branches which defines the first holding member having an opening allowing the passage of the base plate and the other branch having a bearing face for the first face of the base plate.

9. (Previously presented) A tool according to Claim 8, characterized in that the said bearing face has a finger cooperating with holes formed in the base plate.

10. (Previously presented) A tool according to Claim 8, characterized in that the said bearing face has a profiled edge cooperating by ratchet effect with serrations formed in the first face of the base plate.

11. (Currently amended) A tool for fitting a belt into the groove of a pulley, the tool comprising:

a base plate having a first and a second face;

a first and a second holding member that are substantially flat and that are parallel with each other, which are spaced apart and which extend from the first face of the base plate and perpendicular to a longitudinal axis of the base plate a first surface of the first holding member facing a first surface of the second holding member; and

a guide member which extends from the second face of the plate opposite to the first face, the guide member having at least a central portion having a flat face in the same plane as the first surface of the first holding member,

~~A tool according to Claim 1, characterized in that the two holding members are adapted to be movable with respect to each other in such a way as to vary their distance according to the width L of the pulley, the tool comprising means for adjusting the relative position of the holding members.~~

~~A tool according to Claim 3, characterized in that the first holding member is borne by a part that can move in translation with respect to the second holding member which is integral with the base plate~~

~~A tool according to Claim 4, characterized in that the part that can move in translation has an opening traversed by the base plate and in that it has a return spring of which one end is butted against a bearing plate integral with the base plate and of which the other end bears against the part that can move in translation.~~

12. (Currently amended) A tool according to ~~Claim 1~~ Claim 11, characterized in that the guide member extends substantially perpendicular to the second face of the base plate and has at least one flat surface forming an angle with the first holding member, this flat surface facing the outside of a perimeter delimited by the base plate and the first and second holding members, and being located at least partly outside of this perimeter.

13. (Previously presented) A tool according to Claim 12, characterized in that the guide member comprises two members disposed at the ends of a central surface.

14. (Currently amended) A tool for fitting a belt into the groove of a pulley, the tool comprising:

a base plate having a first and a second face;

a first and a second holding member that are substantially flat and that are parallel with each other, which are spaced apart and which extend from the first face of the base plate and perpendicular to a longitudinal axis of the base plate a first surface of the first holding member facing a first surface of the second holding member; and

a guide member which extends from the second face of the plate opposite to the first face, the guide member having at least a central portion having a flat face in the same plane as the first surface of the first holding member,

~~A tool according to Claim 1~~, characterized in that the guide member extends substantially perpendicular to the said second face and has at least one region curved toward the outside of a perimeter delimited by the base plate and the first and second holding members and located at least partly outside of this perimeter.

15. (Previously presented) A tool according to Claim 14, characterized in that the guide member comprises two curved members located on either side of a central surface.

16. (Canceled)

17. (Previously presented) A tool according to Claim 13, characterized in that the central surface is flat.

18. (Previously presented) A tool according to Claim 17, characterized in that the central surface extends substantially between two opposite edges of the base plate.

19. (Currently amended) A tool as in ~~claim 1~~ Claim 14, wherein the guide member is integral with the first holding member.

20. (Currently amended) A tool for fitting a belt into the groove of a pulley, the tool comprising:

a base plate having a first and a second face;

a first and a second holding member that are substantially flat and that are parallel with each other, which are spaced apart and which extend from the first face of the base plate and perpendicular to a longitudinal axis of the base plate a first surface of the first holding member facing a first surface of the second holding member; and

a guide member which extends from the second face of the plate opposite to the first face, the guide member having at least a central portion having a flat face in the same plane as the first surface of the first holding member,

~~A tool as in claim 1, wherein the guide member is integral with the first holding member,~~

~~A tool as in claim 19, wherein the guide member and the first holding member are movable along the base plate and are separated by an opening allowing the passage of the base plate.~~

21. (New) A tool according to Claim 20, characterized in that the two holding members are spaced apart by a distance corresponding to the standardized width of a pulley.

22. (New) A tool according to Claim 20, characterized in that the two holding members are adapted to be movable with respect to each other in such a way as to vary their distance according to the width L of the pulley, the tool comprising means for adjusting the relative position of the holding members.